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GREETINGS!!!

This Annual catalog is our message of greetings and friendship to our old customers and friends, and a handclasp and "howdy" to new ones. It is our spokesman to thousands and thousands of fine folks and tells our story about our plants—cabbage plants, onion plants, sweet potato plants, tomato plants, pepper plants, egg plant plants. Plants are our whole story this year; we have nothing else but plants and specialize in them exclusively. We have 400 acres devoted to plants of which 210 acres are in cabbage plants alone. So you see the plant business is an **INDUSTRY** with us and not a backyard proposition.

We want you to be satisfied in every transaction—if not, **PLEASE** let us know. If you have no use for this catalog, however, please give it to someone who has.

Let us meet as friends—or greet as old friends. Howdy!

ONE OF OUR FIELDS OF FROST PROOF CABBAGE PLANTS



"Plants and Friends That Grow"—Here's Why!

Elk City, Okla., Apr. 21, 1928.

"We received cabbage plants yesterday and thank you for the way you treated us about our order and furthermore I find that I am dealing with a responsible company when dealing with you. Expect an order from us again next year."

A. J. JONES.

Pittsburg, Kan., March 29, 1928.

"I got 500 plants from you last year and I never raised such cabbage before and believe me I have raised some the grocer-men here say they never got such cabbage before."

J. H. TENEY. R. R. 4, Box 52

Green Brier, Tenn., Apr. 6, 1928

"I sure do thank you for sending such nice plants. I have been ordering plants for a long time and I will have to say yours are the nicest and the cheapest I have ever ordered."

SAM C. ESCCELL.

Bennet, Neb., June 6, 1928

"You certainly are willing to do right if given a chance. I shall certainly speak a good word for you and send you all the customers I can. Hope these few words will show my appreciation for your kind and honest treatment."

MRS. ALEX WERT. R. R. 1

Vancouver, B. C., Dec. 11, 1928.

"Will you again be able to supply me with young onions suitable for planting?"

CHARLES E. TISDALE.

Ephrata, Pa., Apr. 23, 1928.

"I received my plants in good condition. I am well pleased."

JACOB K. KELLER.

Seneca, Mo., Apr. 21, 1928

"We received the cabbage plants. They came in excellent condition and we are all very well pleased with your courtesy."

LAWTON LAWSON.

"In Union (Plants) There is Strength"



Cabbage Plants [That Grow and Thrive]

Plant 'em for Profit!

Are you keeping up with the times? Haven't you noticed how Sauerkraut is being advertised and how much more it is being bought? And not only has the sale increased because of the advertising, and recommendations of doctors, but now Sauerkraut juice is a popular beverage. All this has increased the demand (and the price) for cabbage. Cabbage is a most profitable crop. The demand for cabbage itself has never let up. You can sell your cabbages and make and sell your sauerkraut. Cabbages grow well in all parts of the United States. Grow 'em for profit.

Cabbage Plants Our Specialty!

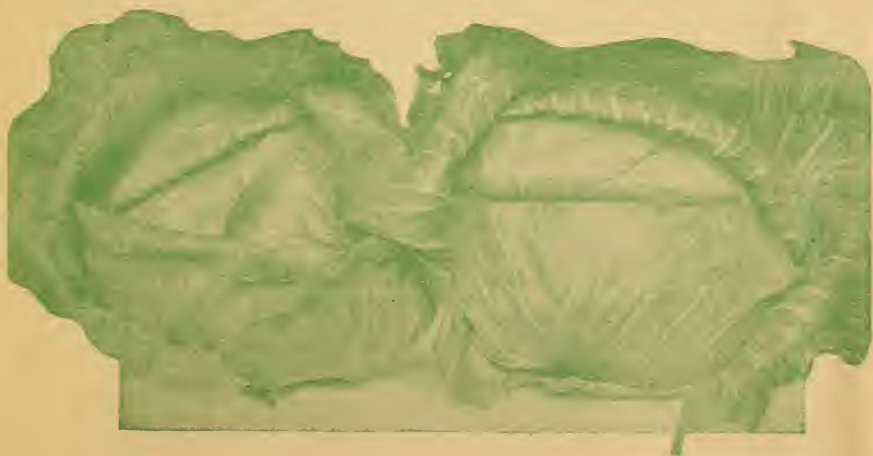
UNION PLANTS *are Frostproof!*

But be sure to start with good healthy well rooted plants, for otherwise all your time, money and labor may be wasted. Don't take a chance with poor plants.

ALL OUR PLANTS ARE FROSTPROOF. They are grown in open fields and subjected to frost and freeze, consequently they are hardy and FROSTPROOF. We have known these plants to stand a temperature of 10 degrees above zero without injury. All our plants are picked by hand and one at a time, (not by the handful), counted and tied in bunches of 50. The roots are carefully packed in damp moss and wrapped in waxed paper, that keeps out the drying air. Thus the care we take plus the fine and frostproof plants, to give you the very highest quality of cabbage plants.

Our sole business is devoted to plants and our biggest specialty is cabbage plants, as it has been for many years. We grow them by the millions and our customers profit by our experience in growing, packing and shipping them. Only good strong, healthy plants with well developed root systems are shipped; any others are thrown away.

See Page 5 for varieties and prices. Handy order blank is in the back.



Large Late Flat Dutch Cabbage

Plants and Friends That Grow!



How to Plant and Grow Cabbage [Properly and Successfully]

If you have it, select a piece of dark, medium low, well-drained land; break it up as thoroughly as you can, then pulverize well with a good clod-breaker or harrow. Lay off your rows thirty inches apart. Make up your bed by throwing two furrows together with a turn plow. Firm this bed by running heavy roller down same; set plants 16 inches apart, well down in soil so that plants have the entire stem up to the first leaves covered with soil. If stem is left exposed, freezing weather will cause them to split, maggots get in these splits and eat up through the stem and destroy the bud. Be sure and pack the soil good and tight about the roots and stem of plant. These plants should not be fertilized at all until two weeks before your regular spring weather opens up. The land must be rich for growing early vegetable crops, it being best to apply fertilizer in spring even though plants are planted in winter. About two weeks before your regular spring weather opens up, take a turn plow and throw a furrow away from plants in each alternate row, running the plow as near the plants as possible in this furrow. Drill your fertilizer at the rate of one-half ton to the acre; two weeks later treat the other alley the same way. In covering the fertilizer be sure to work the soil under the leaves of the plant. After this time use your judgment; should the spring be wet, you want a high bed; if it be dry you want the ground as level as possible. Provided the instructions are followed, you can sit back and watch the finest crop of cabbage you have ever grown.

TREATMENT OF PLANTS ON ARRIVAL—If the plants cannot be set out the same day they are received, take them from the crate immediately, dip the roots in water and hill out into the ground, spreading the bunches out a little. In no case should they be left in the crate.

TWICE AS MUCH CABBAGE PER ACRE—We know how to produce good plants; you'll find no runts or weaklings among those you purchase; practically every one makes good. You'll easily get from 6 to 10 tons of Cabbage for each acre you plant.

When the plants come to you they look stunted and wilted, but don't bother about the appearance; plant all of them just the same. Place them in the ground a month before you'd set out home-grown plants, and then forget about them. Order now and be sure of Cabbage profits this season. Our guarantee protects you perfectly.

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GUARANTEE

If the increased yield of headed Cabbage from our plants, compared with the yield from cheaper plants of same varieties sold by others, planted at the same time and grown under the same conditions, is not worth more than the difference in cost, we will refund the entire purchase price. There is a reputation of over 11 years of honest dealing behind this guarantee.

“In Union (Plants) There is Strength”



VARIETIES OF CABBAGE PLANTS

—Ready to Ship—

It will pay you to plant these plants—all grown by the Union Plant Co. ("In Union there is strength"). All are FROSTPROOF. Our special built crates used by us in shipping Cabbage and Onion Plants, assure safe arrival of plants in first class condition. **SAFE DELIVERY GUARANTEED!**

Copenhagen Market—A big yielder, extra early. Fine round heads, averaging 8 pounds; very solid; small core. Plants are short-stemmed, heads being produced almost on the surface of ground. Ready for market as early as Jersey Wakefield and heavier yield per acre.

Early Jersey Wakefield—A favorite with market gardeners and truckers to grow for earliest Cabbage, both for home market and shipping. Makes compact, solid, blunt-pointed heads; small leaves, permitting close planting. Very hardy, not only to resist cold but other unfavorable conditions. Our plants are properly grown and selected with care.

Charleston Large Type Wakefield—Extra large, hardy, good shipper. A splendid strain of Jersey Wakefield, about a week later, with heads twice as large and weighing 8 to 12 pounds more. A good keeper and a strong favorite among southern growers as a main crop. May be planted as a second crop, to mature in autumn, if desired.

Succession—Largely a market growers' variety in many parts of the South, being used almost exclusively for shipping crops. Rather large size, well flattened on top. Firm and solid, a sure header and good shipper to North. Matures about ten days later than Early Summer and Early Flat Dutch, but nearly double their size.

Large Late Flat Dutch—An excellent keeping variety, more extensively grown for main crops than any other variety. This is one of the oldest varieties and needs no recommendation. Heads large, broad, roundish flat; solid and of good quality, tender and fine grained. Resists heat splendidly.

Early Flat Dutch—One of the most reliable cabbages for early spring planting. Plants are short-stemmed, upright, and having comparatively few and short leaves, the rows can be set close together. Heads large, solid, crisp and tender. Excellent for home use and to follow Wakefield and Succession.

PRIZEHEAD CABBAGE PLANTS

Our choicest variety, and premium cabbage plants. Produce wonderful cabbage with heads that grow to great size and of excellent quality. In a Prize Contest a few years ago, the three winners won by producing cabbage that weighed 16½, 16 and 15 pounds respectively. These fine cabbage plants cost a bit more but are worth it.

Sent by Parcel Post—Prepaid: 100 plants, 60c; 200, \$1.00; 300, \$1.25; 500, \$2.00; 1,000, \$3.50; 5,000, \$15.00.

Prices on Cabbage Plants

(All but the Prizehead)

Shipments from November 1st to June 15th—Ready now

(By Parcel Post, Prepaid)

100 Plants	\$.50
200 Plants75
300 Plants	1.00
500 Plants	1.25
1,000 Plants	2.00
2,500 Plants	4.50
5,000 Plants and over, by express collect, per 1,000	1.00

SPECIAL FOR - - \$1.25

200 Cabbage Plants of any variety except Prizehead and 500 Onion Plants of any variety. Your selection or ours. Postpaid for

SPECIAL FOR - - \$1.75

400 Cabbage Plants of any variety except Prizehead and 700 Onion Plants of any variety. Your selection or ours. Postpaid for



Copenhagen Market Cabbage

Plants and Friends That Grow!



Prizetaker Onion

**Read and Heed and "Know
Your Onions"**

How to Grow Bermuda Onions from Union Onion Plants

Based on our experience and that of many others, we recommend growing onions from the plants as against the sets. See reasons below. We grow onion plants by the millions and have hundreds of acres in these plants. Bermuda Onions are a fine crop to grow and there is money in them for you. Read and heed:

First—You will find the Onion Plant the easiest of all plants to grow. They will keep for weeks, after being pulled if not allowed to become Heated or Wet. (Keep them dry and give plenty of air if not ready to plant upon arrival.) Like everything that grows, the richer the land the heavier the yield. You will have very satisfactory results on all classes of soil.

Second—Prepare land the same as you would for any other truck. We prefer to plant in rows 14 to 16 inches and plant 4 inches apart in the row. If you do not have plenty of rain or irrigation, plant in 24-inch rows and 6 inches in the row for the best results.

Third—How to Plant: Sharpen a wood stick, making a hole about two inches deep, place the plant in as you withdraw the stick and press dirt firmly with stroke from stick.

Fourth—Cultivate very shallow as the onion roots grow near the surface and should not be disturbed. About all the cultivation needed is scratching to kill weeds.

Fifth—Best harvesting methods when about 60 per cent of tops droop or are soft at neck, just above onion, pull them up, leave them lying in sun for two or three days, giving tops a chance to descend into the onion, thereby increasing in weight and firmness about 20 per cent. After this is done place onions in cool place, with tops and roots cut off about one inch from onion. For keeping for home use, let tops and roots remain and tie in bunches and hang up in cool place. Be careful that the place is not full of light, for light will turn the Crystal Wax green, the light will not hurt the Yellows. You will find they will keep for months in this manner.

Our Bermuda Onion Plants make larger, more to the acre of ground, keep better and are cheaper than sets. They are not hot, and are sweeter and in every way ten to one better than Onions grown from sets. Try a thousand or more this year. You will never set out another set. Ask anyone who has tried them.

Onion Plants make quicker, sweeter, larger, keep better, not strong and hot, and make more to the square foot. They grow large and saucer-shaped. They have very small tops and make large onions. They are cheaper—\$1.00 worth of onion plants will set a much larger acreage than \$1.00 worth of sets.

 For varieties and prices, see next page. **Handy order blank in back of book.**

"In Union (Plants) There is Strength"

ONION
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PLANTS

TOMATO
PLANTS

EGG
PLANT
PLANTS

GROW FROM THE PLANTS!

BERMUDA ONION PLANTS

Grown by Union Plant Co.



You'll get a better start, produce larger, sweeter and MORE onions by planting the plants. These Bermuda plants make quicker and yield large saucer-shaped onions, with very small tops and quite large onions—not hot and strong—and they keep better. Our plants are grown in the open fields, where the frost doesn't get them but just cold enough to make them tough and ready for field setting. Our reputation is also behind these plants—we grow them and know what we've got. You grow them and you'll know too. See preceding page for more information as to "How."

 **SHIPMENTS FROM NOVEMBER 1st TO JUNE 15th. Order now for immediate or advance shipments.**

White Crystal Wax and Yellow Bermuda—These are the onions that are so highly prized because of their earliness. The **White Crystal Wax** is a rather new variety. Large pure white flat onions, popular with southern onion growers. Mildest

and sweetest of onions. fine for slicing. The **Yellow Bermuda** is the same as the Crystal Wax except it has a yellow skin. This, however, is the better keeper because the light does not penetrate in the onion as with the white—thus a point in its favor. In ordering please state your preference.



Packed in bunches of 100. Note uniform size.

Prizetaker—The King of the Yellow Onions, a big yielder and a sure cropper. The most productive and largest of all the yellow globe onions. Always grows to a uniform shape, which is a perfect globe. Invariably attracts attention on the markets on account of its size and beauty and is sure to bring a better price than other onions. They are even more attractive than the large Spanish onions, in fact these are excellent substitutes. Plants grown from American-Grown seed.

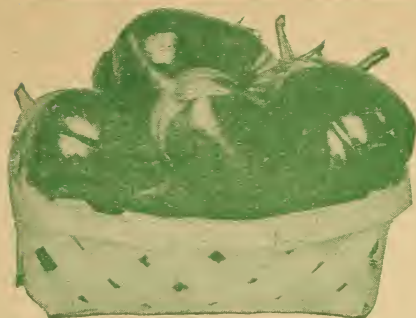
Prices on Onion Plants

(By Parcel Post, Paid—Ready-Now)

500 Plants	\$.75
1,000 Plants	1.25
6,000 Plants	6.00
6,000 Plants and over, by express collect, per 1,000.....	.75

Our special built crates used in shipping Onion and Cabbage Plants insure safe arrival of plants in first class condition.

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Union Plant Company's Egg Plant Plants

Black Beauty—125 Days—An early fruit and quick seller because of black and fadeless color.

New York Purple—130 Days—Probably oldest and best known variety. Early and produces 4 to 6 large, excellent fruits.

Prices on Egg Plant Plants—Parcel Post Paid

READY ABOUT APRIL 1st			
50 Plants	\$.60	200 Plants	1.50
100 Plants	1.00	500 Plants	3.00
1,000 Plants	5.00		

UNION TOMATO PLANTS

Here are other fine plants you may need. Even though you may not be ready now, place order in advance for future delivery.

Gulf State Market—100 Days—Very productive; excellent shipper because of tough skin. Globular shape, free from cracks. Color, purple and pink. Hardy vine.

Norton Wilt Resistant—115 Days—Introduced by U. S. Dept. of Agriculture for wilt-resistance. Medium size fruit, smooth and solid. A main-crop, scarlet-fruited variety.

Early Detroit—110 Days—A smooth globular shaped tomato of good quality. Large, early, productive, solid variety, flesh purple.

Greater Baltimore—110 Days—Large, solid, round, red, blemish-free fruits. Main-crop variety as fruiter. Stout vines. Continuous cropper. Very dependable.

New Stone—115 Days—Great favorite in all gardens; used extensively by commercial canners. Late sort. Productive — large, solid, bright red, smooth fruit. One of the most popular tomatoes.

Livingston's Globe—Very productive, extra good all-round tomato, distinct globe shape. Always smooth, firm-fleshed, few seeds. Color, purplish pink. A very good keeper.

June Pink—90 Days—The earliest pink variety on the market. Solid fruit, borne in profusion. A large, red, smooth tomato, medium size, nearly round.

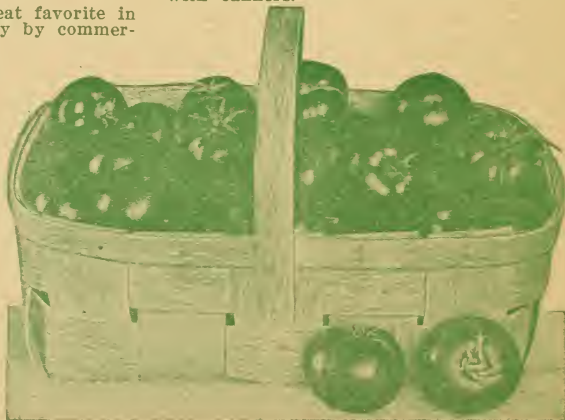
McGee—Of Texas origin. Bright crimson, solid, good flavor. Especially recommended for black land. Claimed to yield where other varieties fail.

Earliana—90 Days—The earliest, large, red, smooth tomato on the market. Healthy vines with small foliage. Very productive. Medium size fruits, nearly round. Popular with canners.

Prices on Tomato Plants Parcel Post Paid

Ready About April 1st

100 Plants	\$.50
200 Plants75
300 Plants	1.00
500 Plants	1.50
1,000 Plants	2.50
5,000 Plants	11.50
5,000 Plants or over, by express collect, per thousand	1.50



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Please Use This Order Blank

UNION PLANT CO.,
Texarkana, Ark.

Date.....192.....

Enclosed find \$..... for which send the following as listed below to my address

by
Parcel Post or Express

Name
(Write very plainly)

Postoffice State.....

R. F. D. Box..... Street

Express Office State.....
(If different from P. O.)

State When Wanted Shipped
More order blanks will be sent upon request. Always write letters on a separate sheet
from your order.

Amount	VARIETY	Price per 1000	Total	
	CABBAGE PLANTS			
	Prizehead			
	Early Jersey Wakefield			
	Charleston Wakefield			
	Succession			
	Copenhagen Market			
	Early Flat Dutch			
	Large Late Flat Dutch			
	ONION PLANTS			
	Bermuda White Crystal Wax			
	Yellow Bermuda			
	Prizetaker			
	SWEET POTATO PLANTS			
	Nancy Halls			
	Porto Rico			
	TOMATO PLANTS			
	PEPPER PLANTS			
	EGG PLANT PLANTS			
	Black Beauty			
	New York Purple			

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—and now! SWEET POTATO PLANTS!

Because the demand for sweet potatoes is growing by such leaps and bounds and so many of our customers have been wanting choice sweet potato plants, we have decided to grow and sell them. This is a most satisfactory crop. Sweet potatoes are easy to grow, cultivate and harvest and easy to keep if the fundamental principles of curing and storing are carried out, and they do not draw heavily on the fertility of the soil. Plants are disease-free plants.

Order potato plants with cabbage, onion and other plants; specify date wanted shipped;; we will ship as near date specified as possible, or in order as received.

PORTO RICO

This is the most popular southern variety of sweet potato and is the most generally grown. Porto Ricos are moist potatoes and there's a big and steady demand for them.

NANCY HALL

This is another favorite southern sweet potato, almost equally in popularity and demand as the Porto Rico. A good and easy grower and shipper and highly marketable.

PRICES

Parcel Post Paid—Ready About April 1st

500 Plants	\$ 2.00
1,000 Plants	3.50
5,000 Plants	15.00
5,000 Plants and over, by express collect, per thousand.....	2.50

Union Plant Co.'s Pepper Plants



Chinese Giant — 140 Days—
Large chunky peppers, bright scarlet when ripe, mild to eat, beauties to look at 4 to 5 inches across and 4½ inches long.

Bull Nose or Large Bell—120 Days—Old standby. Large fruit, thick flesh, with broad end, almost square. Deep green when young, bright crimson when ripe. Mild flavor. Plants, 2 feet high.

Ruby King—110 Days—General favorite; most generally used. Longest of the largest! Brilliant red, 10 to 15 fruits to plant. Flavor sweetish; free from heat. Resists decay longer.

Long Red Cayenne—100 Days—Very hot, bright red pepper, long and slender. Fruit about 3 to 3½ inches long, ½ inch across at stem, end twisted to a point.

Prices on Pepper Plants—Parcel Post Paid READY ABOUT APRIL 1st

50 Plants	\$.60
100 Plants	1.00
200 Plants	1.50
500 Plants	3.00
1,000 Plants	5.00

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SPECIAL OFFER

Here's an opportunity to make money TWO ways—money off the plants you use yourself and money off those you sell. Order plants for your neighborhood and sell them at our small quantity prices. You make the difference!

1000 Onion Plants and 400 Cabbage Plants

We'll ship you all these choice plants, of our own selection, or of varieties YOU WANT (excepting Prizehead Cabbage Plants) at this special price, postpaid. Order this assortment. It's a bargain. If they are more than you need, sell the others to your neighbors at a profit.

\$2

Postpaid

